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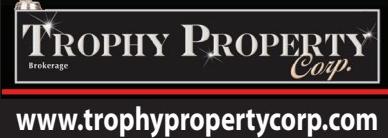
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/DARREN LUM Staff



## Proposed Rogers tower defeated by Dysart council

*Concern for future of other proposed tower installations*

**VIVIAN COLLINGS**

*Staff Reporter*

Rogers and Fido customers near Minnicock Lake Road and Glamorgan Road will not receive 5G network connectivity by way of a Rogers tower following conflicting opinions by council and community members.

Dysart et al council defeated the resolution for a proposed Rogers Communications Inc. 90-metre guyed

tower on private land on the north side of Minnicock Lake Road during the regular council meeting on Tuesday, July 26.

The vote finished 3-3 with Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy absent.

The Dysart et al procedural by-law states, "Except where expressly provided in statute, any question on which there is an equality of votes shall be deemed to be defeated."

View the procedural by-law here [www.dysartetal.ca/en/municipal-government/resources/By-Law-2021-53-Procedural-By-Law.pdf](http://www.dysartetal.ca/en/municipal-government/resources/By-Law-2021-53-Procedural-By-Law.pdf).

Those in favour were Mayor Andrea Roberts, Ward 5 Councillor Walt McKechnie, and Ward 1 Councillor Nancy Wood-Roberts. Those opposed were Ward 2 Councillor Larry Clark, Ward 3 Councillor Tammy Donaldson, and Ward 4 Councillor John Smith.

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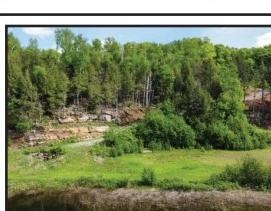
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# Declined tower left some elated and others distressed

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"I've been in this industry for 10 years, and never have I come across the level of angst and anger towards a project like this. It's really unfortunate, and I think Dysart will unfortunately be left without the cell service that people could, should, and expect to have for the long-term," said Eric Belchamber on behalf of Rogers Communications Inc.

Belchamber said Rogers is concerned that their other proposed towers in Dysart will also get turned down by council after Tuesday's meeting.

Joanne MacDonald, a nearby resident of the proposed tower site, said she is pleased with the outcome of council's vote but is concerned about future tower construction.

MacDonald said to the *Echo*, "It saddens me that a conglomerate like Rogers can attempt to destroy all that we, the residents who live within the [one kilometre] radius of this tower as well as those opposed to it who have worked so hard for, with no immediate ties to the community, would be allowed to come in and destroy our environment, property values, and way of life in the name of progress."

The proposed tower was projected to improve cell service in the area by providing 5G connectivity as part of the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) Cell Gap Project.

The proposed tower location off of Minnicock Lake Road is 230 metres from the nearest residence.

Policy 38 was adopted in 2014 "to outline the procedure to be followed by applicants wishing to establish or expand telecommunication facilities within the Corporate rate limits of the Municipality of Dysart et al."

Within the policy, it is encouraged that proposed towers are located one kilometre away from nearby residences.

It is also stated in the policy that mono-pine style towers are preferred, but can only be constructed at a maximum height of 40 metres.

Belchamber said pine-style towers would not provide the necessary service.

"The line of sight is important here. A 40 metre tower would service a much smaller area, requiring four additional towers to achieve the same coverage as one 90 metre tower."

A public information and comment session was held on June 14 by Rogers for nearby residents. A summary of residents' concerns included worries about health, species at risk, construction traffic, lighting, the environment, proximity to residences, and impacts of property value. Residents who attended the meeting expressed disappointment by how it was run, which was corroborated by Kennedy.

Rogers representatives Belchamber and Christian Lee agreed to abide by recommendations to situate the proposed tower 60 metres from Minnicock Lake Road and to only remove vegetation that is required for construction but said they cannot move the tower one kilometre away from residences.

Councillor Clark and councillor Smith were concerned about the amount of residences within a kilometre radius of the tower site.

"It's not one or two [residences], it's 40 in a one kilometre radius, which means that there should've been additional effort by Rogers to find sites that are less contentious for neighbours," Clark said.

Belchamber said Rogers' awarded contract, as part of the EORN project, provides them with a limited search area.

"It doesn't make economic sense to have a tower one kilometre away from residences. It simply won't provide the service they expect," Belchamber said.

Lee said improving technology means more towers are required to provide faster services, therefore the one kilometre radius from residences outlined in Policy 38 is outdated.

"As technology improves, meaning more services, faster connectivity, that kind of thing, each tower doesn't service the same area of geography that it once did. That's why the EORN cell gap project exists."

Roberts said four or five other towers have been proposed in Dysart, but none will meet the requirements highlighted in Policy 38.

"That policy is so onerous and so restrictive. We won't get any towers in Dysart. This isn't about making a phone call to chat to your friend. This is about the way the world is going. This is about an ambulance attendant on the phone with a doctor going down Glamorgan Road, or anywhere, and having their call drop. This is



The diagram shows where existing cell towers are located and where the proposed Rogers tower would be located off of Minnicock Lake Road. Locations A and B are existing Bell towers that cannot be utilized because they are too far away. /Map from Rogers Site Selection Report

extremely important," Roberts said.

Councillor McKechnie said a telecommunications tower in Eagle Lake near his residence faced initial scrutiny, but residents are now pleased with the service.

"I think this is something that our community really needs," he said.

Councillor Donaldson raised the question of health concerns over radiofrequency (RF) radiation from 5G networks that some residents near the proposed tower share.

Belchamber outlined the margins of Health Canada's Safety Code 6.

"It has a 50 times margin of safety from what could potentially be harmful to humans, so there is already an enormous margin of safety built-in. The amount of RF exposure will be hundreds, if not thousands, below the allowable threshold because it is 90 metres in the air. 5G, LTE, and 4G technology all have the same RF waves. RF waves from television and radio broadcasting are similar. There is absolutely no health risk to humans whatsoever," he said.

Health Canada's website said 5G technology can use either the same frequencies used by current mobile devices or frequencies above 6 GHz.

Health Canada has highlighted two minor adverse effects caused by radiofrequency electric and magnetic fields, both of which only occur high above Canadian limits.

"At frequencies below 10 MHz, peripheral nerve stimulation (a tingling sensation) can occur. The exposure limits in Safety Code 6 for frequencies below 10 MHz are set below the level threshold at which this effect could happen. At frequencies above 100 kHz, tissue heating can occur. The exposure limits in Safety Code 6 for frequencies above 100 kHz are set below the level threshold at which this could happen."

The motion to carry the proposed Rogers telecommunications tower was moved by Councillor McKechnie and seconded by Councillor Wood-Roberts, but was defeated in a tied vote.

"What happens to the other sites in Dysart? Are we turning them all down? We have to trust Health Canada and the work Rogers has done with looking at locations. I'm not sure what the next steps are. I'm very disheartened ... We'll be left behind in the dust. If this is the legacy this council wants to leave, that's what it is," said Roberts.

MacDonald is prepared to continue efforts to stop tower construction if plans go forward in the future.

"Of course we are happy with the outcome but fear the battle is not yet over," MacDonald said. "Now we are in a wait and see situation. But, we will also continue to seek out advice and guidance on how to further stop this proposed site if need be."

A suggestion to review Policy 38 and compare it with telecommunication policies of the Municipality of Highlands East, the Township of Minden Hills, and the Township of Algonquin Highlands was proposed by Dysart et al municipal clerk Mallory Bishop.

Belchamber said that out of close to 85 proposed telecommunications towers, only two have turned down the project, and Dysart is one of them.

Council moved on from the planning and land information item without deciding whether to revisit the proposed tower or not.

# Haliburton Forest Biochar announces \$10 million expansion

VIVIAN COLLINGS

Staff Reporter

A \$10 million expansion of Haliburton Forest Biochar (HFB) is bringing 20 new jobs and a product that can be used to help fight climate change to the Highlands.

Haliburton Forest Biochar is a facility that aims to produce biochar products from sustainably, locally sourced forest matter.

Biochar is a carbon-rich, charcoal-like substance that is produced by burning forest material in a zero-oxygen environment. It is porous and can retain water and nutrients in soil, reduce carbon emissions from soil, and can produce oil and gas byproducts that can be used as fuel.

HFB has had a goal of expanding their facilities for the past six years, and plans are now coming to fruition.

Located on Kennaway Road off of Highway 118 in Haliburton, at what was formerly Direct Pellet Industries Inc, the expansion will happen over the next eight months with a goal to begin producing biochar at HFB in February 2023.

"Having made significant advancements with our technology, market development, and all of those other important building blocks, we're making a large investment in the facility leading in to next year of a total of \$10 million to expand the footprint of the buildings on the site and to install new manufacturing equipment. With that, there will be significant hiring of staff and overall growth of the business," said Malcolm Cockwell, managing director of Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve and HFB.

A portion of the funding for the expansion is coming from Natural Resources Canada's Investments in Forest Industry Transformation (IFIT) program, and the rest of the funding is an investment by HFB.

## Applications of the funding

The expansion will feature a facility to house an innovative unit to create the biochar by way of a process called pyrolysis.

General manager of HFB Gavin Pearce said, "About four years ago we added another building to expand our operations, and then we're building another facility to house our full-scale pyrolysis unit. Over the years, we've been working with our existing buildings, but we've learned so much about biochar that we are confident that we can scale it and increase the meaningful impact on both the local economy and also our customers with an environmentally-friendly product."

The new unit has taken the HFB team and their partners years to design.

The unit resembles large ovens that are completely sealed with systems that capture and recycle the air

within them.

"Pyrolysis takes place when biomass is heated to about 400 degrees Celsius in a zero-oxygen environment. When that happens, all of the [volatile organic compounds] are drawn out of the biomass and what you're left with is carbon. So, we end up with a biochar product that is 80 to 90 per cent carbon, and that carbon is stable in that form, so it won't break down. The gases that it releases are used as a heating source to fuel the process, so it's a closed loop, so to speak," Pearce said.

The biomass used to create biochar is low-value, hard-wood residues like wood chips and sawdust.

## Local careers

The expanded facility will require 20 additional skilled employees to operate it.

Cockwell said this expansion will be beneficial for the local economy, businesses, and employees.

"For the community members, the most important thing is the employment and the local supply chain that Biochar feeds in to. These are skilled positions that are part of the growing bio-economy in Canada."

The material used to produce biochar comes from the sawmill at Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve.

"These are forest products that are produced at our local sawmill here on Kennisis Lake Road which also employs local people, and those forest products have been harvested from the forest by local loggers and truckers," Cockwell said.

Executive director of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce Bob Gaudette said the expansion of HFB is a great opportunity for the community.

"The creation of "career" employment opportunities support the community and local economy in a number of ways. One of which is the ability of younger local talent to stay within their home county and work on innovative technologies and projects ... Opportunities like HFB expansion can help to stem the talent drain as well as draw others into our local workforce," Gaudette said.

## Replacement of fossil fuels

In an HFB expansion press release, it said the biochar produced by the facility can be used to displace fossil fuel products on a pound-for-pound basis.

"The facility will have the potential to generate a net reduction of 4,200 tonnes per year of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions and offset more than 7,500 tonnes per year of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions," said the press release.

Nature Communications article *Sustainable biochar to mitigate global climate change* said that processes like the production of biochar may be the only way to stabilize Earth's surface temperature and stop rapid climate change.

"If humanity oversteps the threshold of maximum safe

cumulative emissions, a limit that may already have been exceeded, no amount of emissions reduction will return the climate to within safe bounds. Mitigation strategies, [like the production of biochar,] that draw down excess CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere would then assume an importance greater than an equivalent reduction in emissions."

Biochar stores carbon for a longer time than if the forest product had been left to decay naturally.

"In addition to fossil energy offsets and carbon storage, some emissions of methane and nitrous oxide are avoided by preventing biomass decay and by amending soils with biochar," as reported in the Nature Communications article.

This biochar can be used in the manufacturing of a variety of consumer, healthcare, industrial, and automotive products.

"While most biochar production facilities at the moment are focused on soil applications like gardening or agriculture, we are focused on advanced manufacturing. Examples include replacing coal in the production of steel and oil by-products in the production of bioplastics," Cockwell said.

## Canadian bioeconomics

The Canadian Ministry of Natural Resources has been prioritizing bioeconomics in the country to increase the use of an abundance of forest biomass to create valuable product and to promote clean technology innovation, green infrastructure, and green jobs.

"By investing in the expansion of this biochar production facility in Haliburton, Ontario, we are strengthening Canada's bioproducts sector while becoming more economically competitive, environmentally sustainable, and innovative through targeted investments in advanced technologies," said Minister of Natural Resources Jonathan Wilkinson in the HFB expansion press release.

## The future of HFB

Cockwell said that for the time being, HFB is focused on solely the Kennaway Road site, but there is potential to expand to more sites in the future.

"The timeline is quite short to get up and running, and the reason for that is the interest from the federal government helping to fund this project. The push is from the federal government in terms of creating and moving forward green projects as fast as possible in order to meet our greenhouse gas emission target," Pearce said.

The team is looking forward to getting the facility up and running after almost a decade of planning and preparation.

HFB currently has one job opportunity posted with many more to come.

## Opposition efforts continue by Friends

Friends of Grass Lake gathered at the Dysart et al municipal building on Tuesday, July 24 to greet council members as they arrived for the regular meeting with their petition to reject the Harburn Holdings condo proposal for Grass Lake. The petition has collected more than 400 signatures. / VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff



# Haliburton School of Art + Design's Faculty Art Auction goes online!

JERELYN CRADEN

*Special to the Echo*

Great news for art lovers! After Fleming College Haliburton School of Art + Design's (HSAD) annual signature Faculty Art Auction fundraiser was put on hold for two years due to the pandemic, it is now back online for the very first time.

"We're very excited to be back," Drew Van Parys, executive V.P. finance and administrative services, said. "The art auction is now in a new online format and is going well. There are a lot of bids in and there are currently 58 pieces available. That number will go up as we continue to add more pieces. And, we are very grateful for the support from our faculty and our sponsors. The financial support for art students provided through this auction is vital to their success."

Typically, proceeds from the auction enable the support of 30 bursaries between \$500 and \$800.

"If we can do that again," Van Parys said, "we will be very happy. That's a lot of money for students who are always facing financial challenges, so for each individual student it's really important and really matters, and we're excited about that."

Experience the fun of viewing and bidding on these special faculty-created works of art now until Aug. 9 at 8 p.m. at [www.32auctions.com/HSAD\\_art\\_auction2022](http://www.32auctions.com/HSAD_art_auction2022). Participating artists include Helen McCusker, Rose Pearson, Rob Stimpson, Susan Watson-Ellis, and Todd Jeffrey Ellis, among many others.

"I'm thrilled to be able support our students along with my faculty colleagues," Luke Despatie, artist and faculty member said. "At the same time, it's great to be able to showcase some of the incredible talent we have at the Haliburton Campus."

And it doesn't stop there.

On Aug. 11, from 5 p.m. 7 p.m., Fleming College will host an in-person gathering at the Haliburton Campus which includes a cocktail reception, special silent auction, and an art exhibition, Flourishing, in the great hall. This free evening is an opportunity for college staff and students to re-connect with the Haliburton community.

"We'd like to have as many people in the community come and visit with us in person. It'll be a great opportunity to gather and share the passion for the arts," Van Parys said.

Winning bidders from the online auction can pick up items in person or arrange for pick up/shipping on another date by contacting Scott Walling at: [scott.walling@flemingcollege.ca](mailto:scott.walling@flemingcollege.ca) or 1-866-353-6464 x 6721.

Haliburton School of Art + Design is known for providing unique and flexible programs taught by professionals who have shaped art, craft, design, media and heritage studies in Canada. The campus offers full-time 14-week art certificates in artist blacksmithing, drawing and painting, photo arts, digital image design, sculpture,

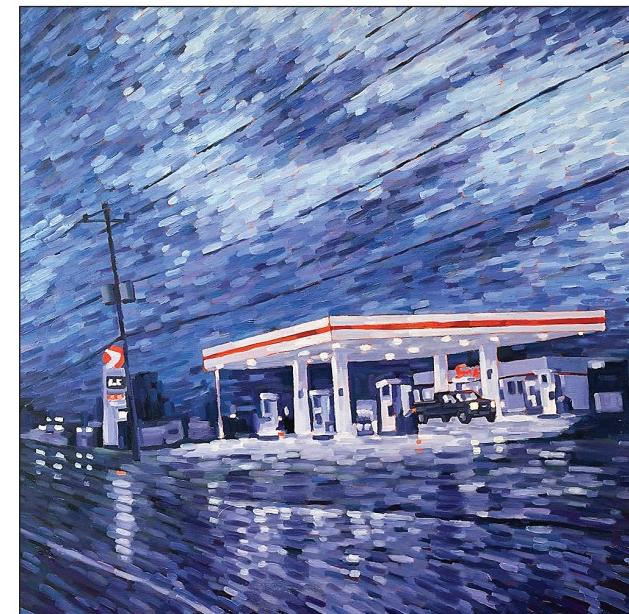


Above, Craig Henshaw's bush knife.  
Right, Luke Despatie's Rest Stop. Bottom right, a gold bracelet created by artist, Todd Jeffrey Ellis. Photo submitted by Haliburton School Art + Design

ceramics, glassblowing, jewellery, and fibre arts. Students can combine these certificate programs with a year of foundation credits to obtain a Visual and Creative Arts Diploma. No other college offers students this breadth of creative programming.

HSAD continues to run its short-duration summer arts courses, offering a selection of more than 300 courses from May to August, open to people of all skill levels.

For more information about HSAD visit [flemingcollege.ca](http://flemingcollege.ca).



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# Central Food Network shares successes with Highlands East council

CHRIS DROST

Staff Reporter

Tina Jackson, executive director with the Central Food Network (CFN), thanked council for its support during a presentation at a regular council meeting on July 12.

"We would not be here without the support of this council and the County of Haliburton," Jackson said. She explained that this support was instrumental to them getting the Ontario Trillium Foundation funding for the Highlands East Food Hub. The Hub opened in 2015 and serves to store food for clients and partners of the food bank and acts as a regional food hub for the eastern part of Haliburton County and shares food donations with food banks and programs in surrounding areas, including Hastings County.

Jackson, who started with a short history for CFN, said the network was initially formed by bringing together the grassroots community programs, the Cardiff Community Food Bank and the Wilberforce Food Bank. It was joined by Heat Bank Haliburton County and Highlands East Community Cooks program in 2016. The organization was incorporated in 2015 and received charitable status in 2019.

"You assisted with space. You assisted in accessing grants for the Heat Bank. You served on the board, including Councillor Cam McKenzie who helps run the Cardiff Food Bank."

"We have adapted to new needs," added Jackson.

## Board chair elaborates on priorities

CFN board chair, Nancy Wright-Laking, talked about current priorities of the CFN.

"We have gone through a lot of change," she said.

They are half-way through their strategic plan, a plan that focuses on communication, internal structure, fund development and effective service delivery.

Wright-Laking explained that a lot of people didn't know what the CFN offers. This is why there has been a focus on communication. In terms of internal structure, "we now have a full-time executive director, Tina Jackson, and we are so lucky to have her."

They have also added a position for a client service and volunteer coordinator.

"We don't have any special government funding that we can rely on yearly. We are looking at how we can continue to provide the services," Wright-Laking said.

Service delivery is important to the organization.

"We want to deliver the best bang for the buck," she said.

## Past year efforts

Wright-Laking told council that the past year has seen a focus on organizational changes and strategic focus. They have developed more than 100 pages of policies. They restructured, including the hiring of a full-time executive director and a part-time employee. The board has moved from being hands-on, to a governance model.

"It seems to be working well," she said. Work is also continuing with funding.

In April, there was a facilitated fund development strategic planning meeting in the community centre in Highland Grove.

There are four new community representatives on the board, two from Highlands East and two from Algonquin Highlands.

"It is nice to have members from other municipalities as it brings a lot of talent," Wright-Laking said. They currently have a chartered accountant, human resources

specialist, retired not-for-profit director, a real estate agent and herself, a retired municipal administrator.

As for volunteers, Wright-Laking said, "They are fabulous and many."

She acknowledged the efforts of Pam McKenzie, who helps at the Cardiff Food Bank and Ken Mott, the manager at the Food Hub, who also works with the Heat Bank.

New Lab Confirmed Cases Reported Today								Current Outbreaks of COVID-19 (high-risk settings)	
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COVID-19 Lab Confirmed Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths by Municipality, Since 01 January 2022									
County	CSDNAME	Active cases (current)	Total 2022 cases	Rate	Non-outbreak cases (cumulative)	Outbreak cases (cumulative)	Hospitalizations (cumulative)	Deaths (cumulative)	
Haliburton	Minden Hills	1	102	1541.48	84	18	3	2	
Haliburton	Dysart et al	2	192	2815.25	132	60	8	3	
Haliburton	Algonquin Highlands	1	26	1027.26	26	0	1	0	
Haliburton	Highlands East	0	52	1478.53	47	5	1	1	
Kawartha Lakes	Kawartha Lakes	55	2959	3636.56	1,978	981	74	27	
Northumberland	Cramahé	0	176	2725.72	159	17	8	2	
Northumberland	Alnwick/Haldimand	2	240	3051.11	214	26	6	2	
Northumberland	Hamilton Township	1	251	2049.15	222	29	6	0	
Northumberland	Brighton	4	357	2821.02	316	41	15	3	
Northumberland	Port Hope	4	416	2390.12	295	121	7	2	
Northumberland	Trent Hills	4	553	4140.15	295	258	18	5	
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*Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir*

## It's all around

**T**HREE IS BEAUTY in the details of life.

There were thousands of creations with varying depths of details showcased at this past Art and Craft Festival event held from July 22 to 25 at Head Lake Park. When it comes to such displays it's easy to recognize the kind of aesthetic beauty borne by the love of each artist. How each piece purchased and taken home resonates with a certain person and touches them, which can only be subject to speculation. After all, what is beautiful?

Now, the characteristics of a piece and how someone feels about a work of art can be found in the details, whether it's the form, texture, or in the lines and symmetry that are present.

The same can be said for everyday life.

Among the details of our lives is time spent at a dinner table, or in front of the television, a camping trip, an ATV ride, a walk in town to get ice cream, a canoe trip with a portage to a far flung river. Some of these include the routines we take for granted such as the fleeting exchanges we share with people. This can be with family members, friends, lovers, or life partners. Some more memorable than others, but none of this is without value. To me, these seemingly innocuous interactions are at the foundation of love.

Love is complex and simple. A paradox of emotions and feelings, which are constantly influx from anger to joy and everything in between.

Love can be demonstrative and physically apparent to people. It can also be unspoken, which can be shared space, or in recognition of another with a glance, a light in the eye. There can be an energy, which uplifts a person's mood simply by being in someone's presence. As I write this, Midnight Madness has not happened, but I anticipate smiles and laughter by the spectacle of the event. However, I see a reunion of locals and



*darren lum*

## Editorial

of long-time cottagers catching up. It makes me feel good thinking about it.

Love is all around us. And it is there even when we're consumed by inconvenience because of the summer crowds and traffic, or when our patience is at its limit and it feels like no one understands us, or when we have that feeling of dread when everything seems to be turning out wrong on a given day.

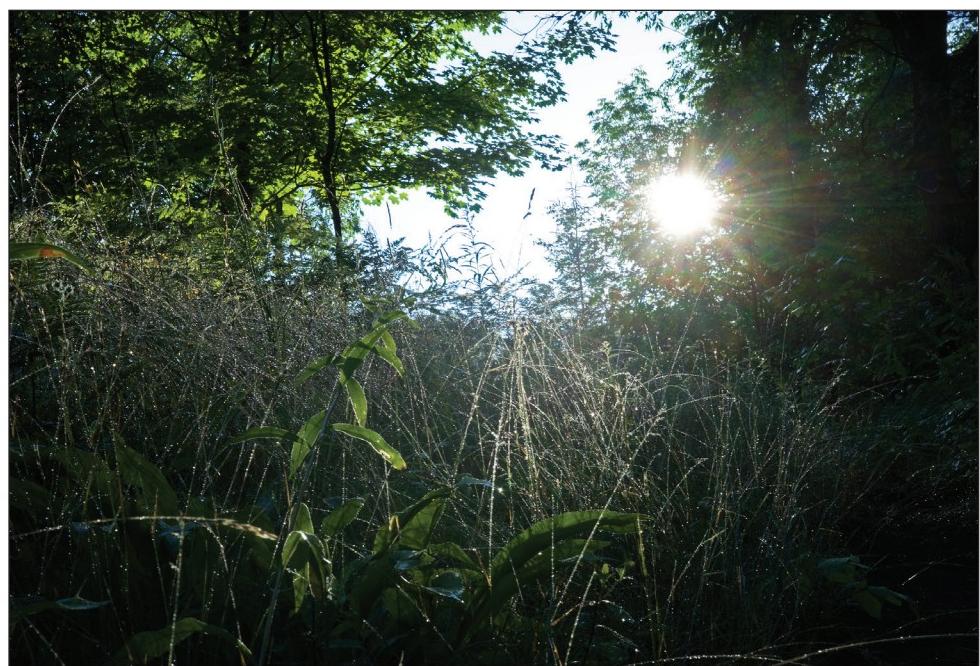
Routine is not a word I would say conveys what would immediately be anything to get excited about. There is something great about the expected though. Something that is consistent. Something you can rely on. Sometimes we can get so consumed by the value we place on novelty and newness we miss out on what it means to be grateful for what have and what we believe will always be there. I heard somewhere if we don't value

what we have now we will when it's gone.

Summers in the Highlands means crowds, delays to drives, shortages of items we can easily purchase during the rest of the season. It also brings opportunity to sleep outside (when bugs are not attacking us) under the stars. It brings moonlight swims. It offers a time for long walks

in the woods. It's summer and it's great. You might characterize it as routine. Something that comes once a year.

Take stock and see the value in the everyday. See the beauty within and be open to the beauty that is all around ... even when we're sitting in traffic on Highland Street waiting for a driver to decide about which parking space to choose. What's a few minutes of stewing with frustration when there are other things to take in and savour. Breathe in the summer heat. Let the sun warm your face. Summer's here are short enough let's not allow a few minutes here and there of anxiety rob us of the simple joys like health and our senses to embrace life and the beauty it can offer.



Morning dew

by Darren Lum

## A man and his dog

**M**Y MOM AND DAD, John (who will be 94 in a few months) moved in with Jim and I just over a year ago. John's dog, Jester, came with them. John has had a dog his entire life. When he was able, he walked his dog three times a day and never missed a walk. In his younger years he had hunting dogs, and 15 years ago he got Jester, a small terrier type of dog. Jester has been by John's side constantly, and even more so since he broke his hip about five years ago. In the past few months Jester's health has begun to decline. He became deaf, blind and increasingly disoriented. My parents have been so kind and patient with him as he slowed down. But eventually the day comes when you know you have to call the vet and ask to have the furry family member put down. It becomes obvious

that the animal is struggling too much. I've had to put down two of my own dogs, and our kitty. It is just never an easy thing to do, or something that one wants to do. Even though it is the right thing. John was heartbroken. He would have done anything to try and keep Jester alive.

When a guy can barely walk, and can't leave his little studio apartment, the dog is his constant friend. When John and Marie argue (62 years of marriage) Jester was always there to sit with John. When John and Marie left their home of 61 years in Acton, to move to Haliburton, Jester was their friend that they brought with

them. He is just a dog, and he was a best friend. Jim and I took him to the Haliburton Veterinary Services (HVS) and Laurie Brown, who has retired but is back helping out, was working. She was the vet who put our own dogs down and we immediately knew we were in good hands. She was kind, caring and understanding. Jester was not my dog and still my heart ached as we said goodbye to him. We know how much love and life he gave to my dad, and how much my dad loved him.

His little beating heart will be very much missed in their little apartment. Laurie sat with us and listened to his story, just as she sat and listened to the story of my dogs, Bella, Molly, and cat, Senior Cecile Ramos. Kindness matters every single day in every single situation.

The kindness

Laurie showed Jester and us was just so beautiful. So appreciated. So respectful. All lives matter. Whether a being is covered in a shell, scales, fur, feathers, slime or quills, they matter. Two legs, four legs, swimming in the ocean, swinging from the trees. All lives are important and deserve respect.

Jim and I both felt this so strongly from Laurie. She cared how Jester lived and she cared how he died. Jester was only in our community for 14 months but he received excellent care from the HVS, and from Pretty Paws where he was groomed. John would like to thank everyone who looked after him. All lives matter.

*Tales from the great*



*lynda shadbolt*

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# points of view

## Free parking

Some people dream of travelling to exotic places. Others fantasize about dinners in world-renowned restaurants. There are also those who visualize encounters with famous people, or completing once in a lifetime feats, such as climbing Mount Everest, joining a billionaire on a space flight, or winning the Legion's meat draw.

All those things are fine. But they have nothing on the ecstasy that accompanies pulling into a parking space reserved for people over 55.

You haven't really lived until you have done this.

Not to brag, but I experienced that once again on Tuesday afternoon.

As always, it was totally unexpected. I'm not the kind of person who goes looking for glory.

In fact, when I cruised into the parking lot of the establishment I was visiting, I was a little worried since it appeared as if every spot was occupied. But all that dread left me when my eyes locked onto an open parking space. More than that, it appeared to be one solely dedicated to elite-class, 55-plus drivers, of which I am one.

"Could it be?" I thought, as my heart began racing, which, admittedly, is normal when you are over 55.

As I crept my car closer, I tried to not to get my hopes up too high. For I knew full well that the spot might already be occupied by a moped, or perhaps one of those little clown cars, hidden behind the SUV beside it. Or worse still, a 55-or-younger driver, masquerading as one of us. (The sandals without socks

are a dead giveaway.)

But, lo and behold, when I got there the spot was unoccupied. So, I parked excruciatingly slow like any true 55-plus driver would, and with all the pomp and circumstance befitting the moment. Then I placed my car in park, just three spots down from the store entrance. And a minute later turned my left turn blinker off.

For those soon attaining the glorious age of 55, get ready, because it doesn't get any better than this.

My advice to you is to take it all in stride. During these moments, it is far too easy to make a big deal of it and let it go to your head. Don't do that.

I did what all of us old hand do. I took a deep breath and stepped out of my car. Then I began walking towards the store, content in the fact that I was living my best life. Then I realized I forgot my wallet in the car and went back.

Yes, I stopped once to take a photo or two for future social media posts. Sure, I casually mentioned that I was in the guy whose car was in the Plus-55 parking space to a couple of people in the line up and the cashier – and to someone passing on the sidewalk. But I also acknowledged that I was grateful for this privilege, which is typically only bestowed upon the higher tiers of the royal family, top-level executives, and perhaps Wal-Mart assistant managers.

But did I let it go to my head? As you can plainly see, I did not.

After all, it is just a very good parking spot, bestowed upon people like me perhaps in appreciation for all the important things we have given society, such as socks and sandals, a multitude of dad jokes, and a confirmation that in our day music was good.

But as I said, mostly I was grateful. For in the Monopoly game of life, I have too often landed on Baltic Avenue or, at times, not even passed Go. These days things are different though. I'm spending more time on my Park Place.



steve  
galea

### Loon Tales



### pic of the past

The William Laking Lumber Co. set up their water-powered saw mill on the Mill Reserve Lot at the Drag River rapids in Haliburton Village in the early 1900s. Destroyed by fire early on, it was soon rebuilt on site. The Laking Co. employed quite a few local men over the years and operated until the late 1920s. In the early 1930s, the mill was torn down, and some of its materials were used to build the Haliburton Community Arena (1932 to 1964). Submitted by Haliburton Highlands Museum's Kate Butler

### letters to the editor

## Pass the shoreline bylaw!

#### To the Editor,

Our elected representatives on Haliburton County's council are expected to put the draft shoreline preservation bylaw to a vote as early as Wednesday, Aug. 10. This bylaw must be accepted as soon as possible. Whenever legislation which may limit, prescribe or prohibit an activity has been announced as pending, a sudden and intense rush to get things done "under the wire" can be expected. There is no doubt that waterfront property owners either personally or through landscaping and related contractors have been doing just that in Haliburton since 2017. Researching and conscientiously developing legislation does take time. Council members must recognize their individual and collective responsibility to avoid unnecessary delay in adoption of this bylaw in part to limit the opportunistic construction and property alteration addressed within the pending legislation.

Council has settled the 20 versus 30 metre setback debate. As our Minden Mayor Brent Devolin said, he still supported 30 metres, but said for him the "ultimate goal" was passing the bylaw even if not all of the elements were to his liking.

Once adopted, applied, and experienced, the bylaw may be amended. A plain language version may be produced to assist public education and acceptance.

So, let's end the delaying tactics of false nar-

rative, gas-lighting and scapegoating. Claims of conflict between environmentalists and property owners bizarrely suggest environmental protection is bad and property owners don't care about their lakes' ecosystem and their impact or responsibilities. Statements such as "our lakes are healthier than ever and that there is no science to say they are not" sadly belong with Trump's claim that he won the election. There's an analogy between the shoreline bylaw process in our county and the science versus non-science debate over the climate crisis. Those who have the most to lose financially initially strive to negate the concern and when that proves unsuccessful efforts turn to simply watering down the response and delaying it for as long as possible.

Let's briefly look at the climate change red herring which keeps surfacing. This crisis effects aquatic communities via increasing water and air temperatures, lowering of water levels, shortening of the duration of ice cover, extreme weather events, shifts in predator-prey dynamics and exotic species proliferation. Unnecessary disturbance to shoreline ecosystems is not in conflict with global warming. Sadly, there is a synergistic relationship wherein they feed back and accelerate each other's damage.

It's time!

John Gibb  
Minden

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# Haliburton Art and Craft Festival draws 4,500

I use a feature on my mobile phone to make notes. The thing is I rarely refer back to them, even when I email them to myself as reminders. But, when I did look over a smattering from the past week my notes told a story. I had been in the throes of orchestrating the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival, the largest outdoor event in Haliburton County. With its many parts and players, my notes had a definite rhythm! Here is one short reminder to myself from three days before the festival opened:

Put out barricade, pick up signs from Minden; FLAGS! Metally Twisted and A Twist of Metal are separate people; red tent broken legs; pottie delivery (TP!!!); survey water lines, investigate outdoor hose bib; outdoor couches? Put out/bring in daily? Water bottle re-fill station; parking area; vests! Caution tape; signs! Earth Loom lavender... sticks.

Our organizing committee wanted the return of the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival to feel open and welcoming, a space where everyone can shine even under cloudy skies. One thing we couldn't control was the weather but, Mother Nature spared us once again and, as many of us know by now, nothing stops Haliburton from enjoying a good art festival! This year Razzamataz Kids' Shows! introduced an element unlike anything we've seen before, bringing us two performance artists - Les Oiseaux! A 12-foot tall, extremely curious, flamboyant, yet gentle, and its mystical chanteuse enchanted one and all. (If you find any magic dust in the Head Lake Park you will know where it came from!)

Did you miss seeing cars and vans behind booths? Part of our big comeback



Visitors are greeted with a performer from The Birds by Les Chasseurs de Reves at the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival on Friday, July 22 in Head Lake Park in Haliburton. Held from July 22 to 24 in Head Lake Park beside Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, the festival featured 75 artists, and (not including the pandemic break) has been held for more than 55 years.

plan for the festival was to reduce the number of cars in the public areas of the

festival. Vendors were happy to cooperate and the resulting open space, buskers, artful booths, the playground, participatory activities and new pathways lent an "art fair" feel to the weekend. Did you visit the public toilets at the Welcome Centre? What a difference having well-appointed facilities made to our visitors. (Thank you to Dysart et al and Haliburton Rotary).

Head Lake Park is a community resource and green space that replaced a former lumber mill site and rail yard. A bustling lumber town dating back to the late-1800s, Haliburton Village is on the move.

"During the council meeting on Dec. 15, 2020, council approved the Head Lake Rotary Park Master Plan as presented by Basterfield & Associates Inc. This plan, which could take 10 to 20 years to fully implement, allows the municipality to act quickly and apply for funding opportunities as they become available. You can see it at [www.dysartetal.ca/en/news/head-lake-park-master-plan.aspx](http://www.dysartetal.ca/en/news/head-lake-park-master-plan.aspx)," reads from Dysart's website.

About 4,500 people attended the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival from July 22 to 24. If you were a visitor, volunteer or a vendor, a performer, a busker, a shopper, a maker, a gallery goer, a painter or musician YOU contributed to the successful return of one of cottage country's best loved art festivals! Thank you! See you in 2023 on the fourth weekend of July, just like always.

*Submitted by Laurie Jones,  
Executive Director/Curator, Rails End  
Gallery and Arts Centre*



Crowds were captivated by The Birds by Les Chasseurs de Reves performers at the Haliburton Art and Craft Festival on Friday, July 22 in Head Lake Park in Haliburton.

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# Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost celebrates 100th anniversary

GRACE OBORNE

*Staff Reporter*

For a century, the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House museum has diligently maintained its significance to Haliburton County. Now, the building is about to hit a new milestone.

On Monday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m., the Wilberforce Heritage Guild 1991 will be hosting a celebration for the outpost's 100th anniversary since opening.

The Outpost that stands in Wilberforce today, is a historic site. Not only is it the first Red Cross Outpost hospital to open in Ontario, but it was also the first hospital of any kind in Haliburton County and its surrounding area.

In the early 1920s, Alfred Schofield was a children's aid inspector who was devastated by the number of women who had died during childbirth, due to the lack of medical assistance available. With such devastating knowledge, Schofield acted.

"He contacted the Red Cross Organization and said, 'is there anything you can do for this area?' Because obviously we had a great need for help here. They had suggested that if we could provide our community with a building, then they would provide a nurse and the equipment to staff the building," said his great niece and secretary of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild 1991, Barb Schofield.

The outpost opened in 1922 and was run by live-in nurses. The Red Cross ended its nursing services in 1957. Then, the building continued to carry out duties of various medical services until 1963.

Vacant after years as a rental property, the Outpost was leased in 1991, and is now preserved, operated, and managed by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild 1991, a volunteer charitable group. It is now owned by the Municipality of Highlands East.

In 2003, the building was officially declared as a National Historic Site of Canada.

The 100th year celebration is set to be in the backyard of the outpost, which backs onto Dark Lake. The event will feature food, socializing, and a quilt raffle. Corn, hotdogs, ice cream, and cake can be expected. A winner will also be drawn for the quilt raffle.

Tickets for the quilt raffle have been on sale for most of the summer. The tickets will continue to be sold until the event by various members of the guild and during the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair that is taking place from Friday, Aug. 5 to Saturday, Aug. 6.

"This is one of our fundraisers that we've done for many years. This goes right back to the beginning of forming the museum. The ladies in the winter, hand quilted quilts, and then we've raffled them off to help raise money," Schofield said.

The outpost has affected many lives and 100 years is just one of the many milestones to celebrate.

"I think it's just a very great historical significance for the town because this was a milestone for local people. It changed people's lives greatly. At that time, up here, we had no electricity, no telephones, and our roads were bad. We had nobody around to help out people with medical emergencies, particularly women in childbirth. So, this has been and is quite a big deal," Schofield said.

Dedicated member of the Wilberforce Heritage Guild, Linda Cameron, recounts another significant milestone as well.

"Josephine Jackson is a significant woman because she served as the first



Highlands East resident Kathy Rogers, from left, is given a tour by volunteer Linda Cameron earlier this year, showing the new displays and information at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House museum, which is a national historic site of Canada that will celebrate its 100th anniversary later this month./DARREN LUM Staff



The Wilberforce Heritage Guild 1991 is inviting the public to come to its 100th anniversary celebration for the Red Cross Outpost Hospital starting at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 15. /DARREN LUM Staff

# Hope for Outpost's milestone event draw new visitors

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nurse for the outpost in 1922," Cameron said.

It isn't a coincidence that every year there is an event for celebration on Aug. 15. There is reason behind the specific date.

"The significance of the 15th of August is that was the beginning the gate opening for the outpost as a museum. It's sort of whatever day the 15th falls on. That's when we celebrate," Schofield said.

Members of the heritage guild and residents of Wilberforce and surrounding areas of Haliburton County eagerly anticipate the milestones of the outpost.

"I'm looking for a very nice celebration of a very significant part of Wilberforce history. I look forward to celebrating that and to make sure that people are aware of it, because there's lots of people in town who've never been to the outpost," Cameron said.

For more historic information about the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House Museum, visit [www.redcrossoutpost.org/](http://www.redcrossoutpost.org/).



A room at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Historic House, which is set up like it might have looked when it was in operation as a health care facility. /DARREN LUM Staff



The maternity kit, which would have been taken by nurses to help new mothers.



Volunteer Linda Cameron gives a tour at the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost, which is a national historic site of Canada that will celebrate its 100th anniversary later this month.

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**Madness returns** The Gord Kidd and Friends band performs with frontman Kidd, from left, Ian Pay, and Shawn Chamberlain at Midnight Madness on Friday, July 29 in Haliburton. The Madness lasted well into the night and offered event goers with opportunities to socialize, shop and stroll. /DARREN LUM Staff



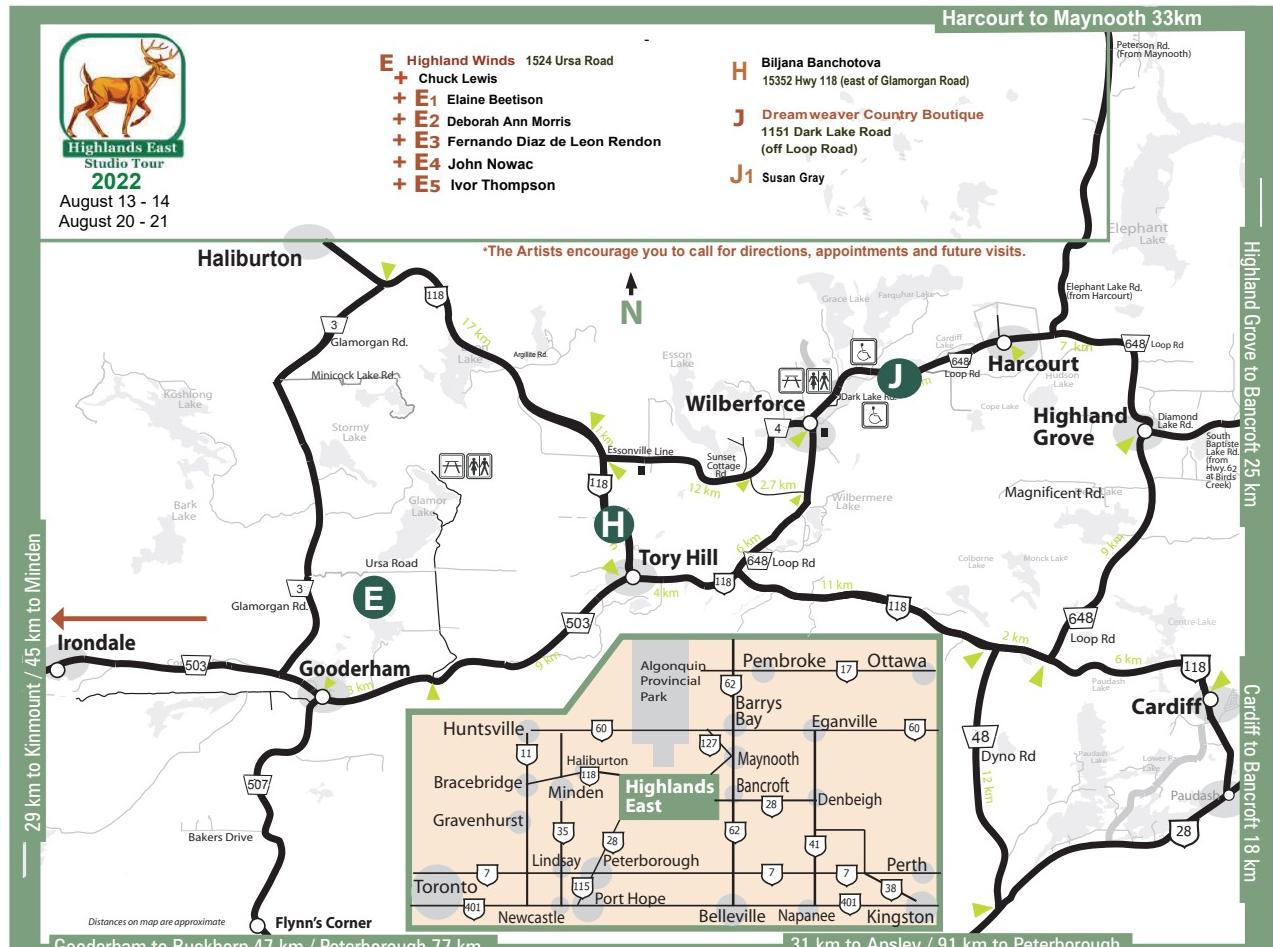
Bob Fisher took a break for a photo from helping promote the upcoming Minden Pride series of events in August at Midnight Madness. See [www.mindenpride.ca](http://www.mindenpride.ca) for more information.



More than 300 banana splits were given away to event goers for Midnight Madness courtesy of the BIA Haliburton.



Haliburton residents Tom Regina and Lauren McInnes look through vinyl records at Russell Red Records. See more photos on next page.



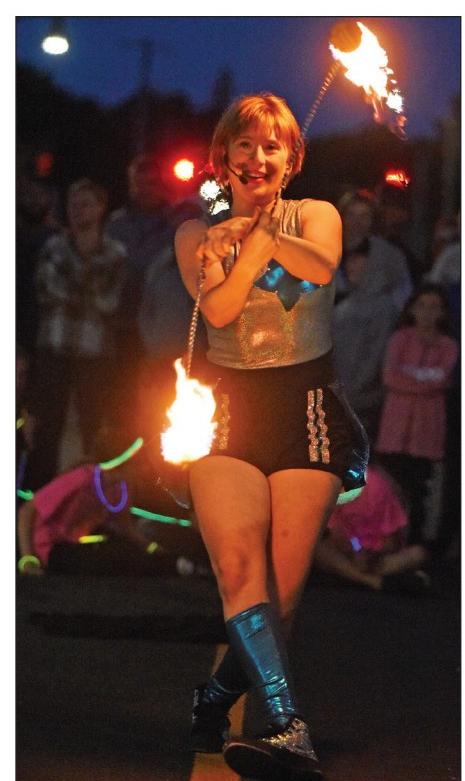
Below, a large crowd is illuminated by Bex in Motion's fire and acrobat performance during Midnight Madness on Friday, July 29 in Haliburton.



Above, Mackenzie Milburn, 12, holds a pose during a dance to help promote Skyline Dance Studio.



Left, part of Highland Street became a place for art for children (with a lineup of people waiting for banana splits at back).



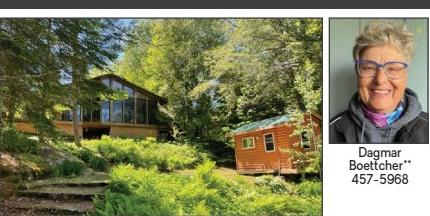
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**Green Lake \$699,000**

• 6 Bedroom, 2 bath, 4000+ sq. ft.  
• Southern Exposure  
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**Long Lake \$1,350,000**

• 4 Bedroom, 2 bath, 1100 sq. ft.  
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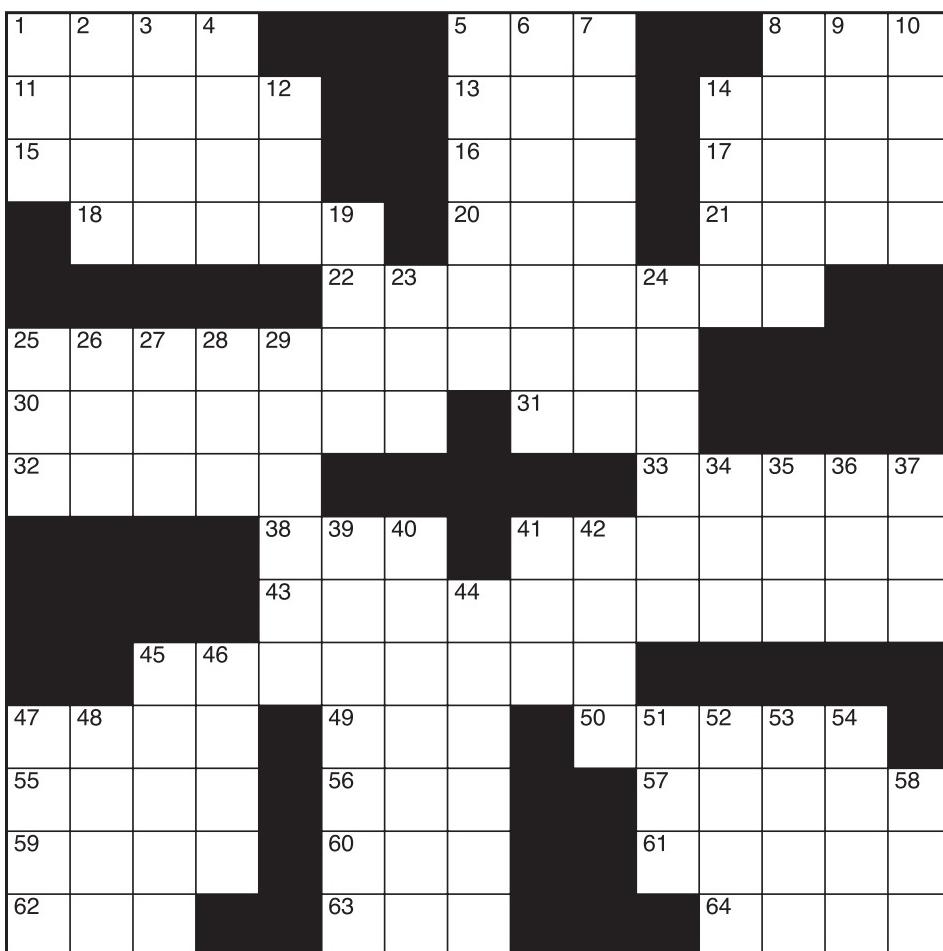
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5. Gas usage measurement
8. Golf score
11. A superior grade of black tea
13. Wrath
14. Eating house
15. Delay leaving a place
16. People now inhabiting Myanmar
17. Canadian flyers
18. Walks back and forth
20. Frequently
21. Humans have two
22. Surrounds with armed forces
25. Made proper
30. Medical buildings
31. Patty Hearst's captors
32. Hits with a drop shot
33. Italy's PM 1919-20
38. Promotions
41. En \_\_: incidentally
43. Queens baseball team
45. Commoner
47. Expenses in insurance world (abbr.)
49. Payroll firm
50. Broadway actress Daisy
55. Skipper butterflies
56. Hint
57. Daniel \_\_, French composer
59. English children's author Blyton
60. Midway between east and southeast
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. Patriotic women's group
63. The woman
64. Tall, slender-leaved plant

#### CLUES DOWN

1. Parts per thousand (abbr.)
2. Jump

Answers on page 14



Submitted by Andrew Von Zuben, member Highlands East Environment Committee

## Highlands East Environment Committee climate Tip of the Week

What is the safest way for you and for nature, to avoid bug bites while enjoying the outdoors in cottage country?

Wear a bug jacket, or spend time in a screened gazebo or porch. Wear light-coloured, loose clothes made of tightly woven materials such as nylon or polyester. Wear long pants and tucked-in, long-sleeved shirts with closed-toe shoes or boots and a hat.

Insect repellents applied to the skin can also be effective. Make sure you use a registered product labelled as an insect repellent for use on people and read and follow all label directions. To find the right personal insect repellent, consult the Pesticide Product Label Database, online or on your

mobile device. (Government of Canada Insect Bite Prevention.)

Pyrethrin, an insecticide found in the chrysanthemum flower, while safe for humans and animals in small quantities, is extremely toxic to fish, aquatic insects and organisms. Aquatic organisms like Daphnia are important in keeping our lake water clean. It can also be toxic to pollinators and beneficial insects. Insecticide sprays applied near lakes, rivers or streams can enter water through soil erosion or drift. (Pyrethrins General Fact Sheet; National Pesticide Information Center, Oregon State University.)

Submitted by Susan Hay

## Pediatric COVID-19 vaccines available

*Local families encouraged to make informed decision about vaccinations for children*

As of 8 a.m. today (July 28), parents and caregivers of children aged six months to under five years are now able to book appointments for the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (HKPR District Health Unit) and local health care providers will begin assisting in the roll out of pediatric vaccines. Immunocompromised youth aged 12 to 17 will also become eligible to schedule their second booster dose (fifth dose) if at least six months have passed since their first booster (fourth dose).

### How to book the COVID-19 pediatric vaccine

Parents and guardians of children ages six months to five years can now book an appointment for their child to receive the recently approved pediatric COVID-19 vaccine. They can do so in the following ways:

**Family Physician:** If you have a family doctor, contact their office directly to get the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine. Many health care providers are providing the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine for children under age five in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

If you do not have a family doctor, or your doctor is not offering COVID-19 vaccines to children ages six months to five years, you can attend a family-friendly clinic organized by the Health Unit. To make an appointment, use the Provincial Booking System or call 1-833-943-3900.

Some local pharmacies may also be offering COVID-19 vaccines for young children under age five. People are encouraged to visit [www.hkpr.on.ca](http://www.hkpr.on.ca) or the Ontario government's COVID-19 pharmacy vaccine locations web page for the latest list of these locations.

"COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective and have helped reduce serious illness and hospitalizations for those age five years and older throughout the pandemic," says Dr.

Natalie Bocking, Medical Officer of Health with the HKPR District Health Unit. "It's great to see this same increased level of protection now available to the very youngest members of our society."

Although most children who get infected with COVID-19 have no symptoms or mild symptoms, some can become very sick and require hospitalization.

"The vaccine offered to children aged six months to under five years is a lower dose that is safe and effective at protecting this age group from COVID-19," Dr. Bocking adds. "Even if a child has already had COVID-19, vaccination will help to further improve the immune response and provide increased protection."

She encourages families to make an informed decision about the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine. Parents and guardians can speak to their health care provider, call the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900, or visit the COVID-19 Vaccine Consult Service to book a phone appointment to speak to a SickKids registered nurse.

Earlier this month, Health Canada approved use of the pediatric Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, which is a slightly modified, lower dose than the same vaccine given to children ages six to 11 years of age. The Moderna vaccine for young children will be given in two doses at least eight weeks apart. Three doses of the pediatric COVID-19 vaccine are being recommended for children who are moderately to severely immunocompromised, with an interval of four to eight weeks between each dose.

It is recommended the COVID-19 vaccine for young children be given 14 days before or after a different vaccine.

First, second and booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines continue to be available in the area. For a complete list of dates, times, locations and eligibility information, visit the Health Unit website ([www.hkpr.on.ca](http://www.hkpr.on.ca)).

Submitted by HKPRDHU



### Summer set

Blues artist Rick Fines performs at Rotary Music in the Park on Tuesday, July 19 at the bandshell at Head Lake Park in Haliburton. Music in the Park is every Tuesday at 7 p.m. until Aug. 16. Admission is by donation. /VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff

The advertisement features two players in action on an ice rink. In the center is the Haliburton County Huskies logo, which includes a wolf head and the team name. The text reads:

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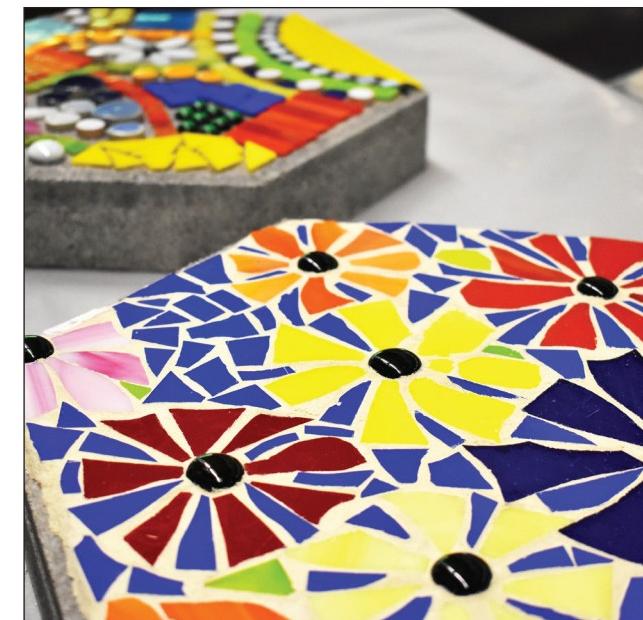
Visitors wandered the halls of Haliburton School of Art + Design during the walk-about on Thursday, July 21. The walk-about happens every Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. and is an opportunity for visitors to learn about what's offered at the college by watching demonstrations, interact with students, and look at students' creations.

/VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff



Cathy Whittaker adds glass pieces to her mosaic garden sculpture during the Haliburton School of Art + Design walk-about on Thursday, July 21.

Below, Elanor Stainsby measures the width of her clay before she turned it into a pot during the Haliburton School of Art + Design walk-about on Thursday, July 21.



Mosaic Sculptures for the Canadian Garden was one of the courses held at Haliburton School of Art + Design during the week of July 18 to 22.

## CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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<b>\$3,650</b>	<b>total pot*</b>		
winner takes \$1,825			
<b>Sales End</b>			
<b>15</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>
Days	Hours	Min	Sec
<b>Ticket Prices</b>			
200 for \$100			
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10 for \$20			

### Raffle on pace to break record

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association's BigCatch50/50 Draw is up to \$3,650 and on pace to maybe break \$5,000 for the first time! The next draw is on Aug. 14. One lucky winner will get half the pot! The other half benefits our local fish hatchery. Get your 50/50 tickets today at: [bigcatch5050.ca](http://bigcatch5050.ca). That's [bigcatch5050.ca](http://bigcatch5050.ca). Help our hatchery and maybe win some cash!

### Footy fun in Hali

Haliburton Grassroots Athletics women's league soccer player dribbles the ball past her opponent during their game on Sunday, July 24 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. 2022 is the first for a women's league in Haliburton County and has 33 players that play every Sunday at 5 p.m. /VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff



Haliburton Grassroots Athletics women's league soccer players battle for the ball during their game on Sunday, July 24 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton.



## Municipality of Dysart et al *In the Heart of the Haliburton Highlands*

### Form 6 SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

Municipal Act, 2001  
Ontario Regulation 181/03, Municipal Tax Sale Rules

### SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

#### The Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde

**Take Notice** that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on August 31, 2022, at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

**Submitted tenders will be opened virtually by Zoom. Register in advance for this meeting using the link:**

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

#### Description of Lands:

1. Roll No. 46 24 040 000 20300 0000; Guilford, Ontario; PIN 39146-0134 (LT); LT 108 PL 581; S/T EXECUTION 95-0000273, IF ENFORCEABLE; S/T EXECUTION 99-0000132, IF ENFORCEABLE; DYSART ET AL; File No. 19-34

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$19,600

**Minimum tender amount: \$5,917.70**

2. Roll No. 46 24 013 000 10835 0000; Haliburton; PIN 39185-0154 (LT); PART LOT 12 CON 12 DYSART, PTS 1, 2 & 3 19R5618; SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT OVER PTS 1 & 2 19R5618 IN FAVOUR OF PTS 4, 5 & 6 19R5618 AS IN H221596; UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART, DUDLEY, HARCOURT, GUILFORD, HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYRE AND CLYDE; File No. 20-07

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$34,000

**Minimum tender amount: \$6,398.29**

3. Roll No. 46 24 013 000 10900 0000; 12953 Highway 118, Haliburton; PIN 39185-0155 (LT); PART LOT 12 CON 12 DYSART AS IN H221596 EXCEPT PTS 1 TO 6 19R5618 & EXCEPT PT 1 19R7027; SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT OVER PT 7 19R5618 AS IN H221596; UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART, DUDLEY, HARCOURT, GUILFORD, HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYRE AND CLYDE; File No. 20-08

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$336,000

**Minimum tender amount: \$35,370.63**

4. Roll No. 46 24 010 000 15700 0000; Haliburton; PIN 39169-0217 (LT); PT LT 21-22 CON 2 DYSART AS IN H71896 T/W & S/T H71896; DYSART ET AL; File No. 21-01

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$140,000

**Minimum tender amount: \$8,403.65**

5. Roll No. 46 24 020 000 36700 0000; 1867 Trapper's Trail Rd., Haliburton; PIN 39266-0149 (LT); LT 51 PL 484; DYSART ET AL; File No. 21-09

According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is \$304,000

**Minimum tender amount: \$14,496.39**

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

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Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the website of the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form, contact:

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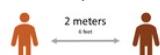
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**Levern Miscio**

Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Saturday, July 23, 2022 with his loving family at his side, at the age of 71.

Beloved husband and best friend of 54 years to Marion. Proud father of Chris and Tracy (Shawn). Proud Papa of Cole (Amy), Christopher, Tyler and Wesley. Big Papa of Greyson and Kenzie. Brother of Ronald (deceased), Raymond, Brian and Angelo. Predeceased by his parents Petrol and Ethel. Levern had a large family that he loved greatly.

He gave 100% to everything he did - from guiding at his dad's hunting camp at an early age to starting his own construction business. For him, his family was his greatest accomplishment and we had no choice but to grow big and strong under his guidance and love. His teachings were simple. Be the best you can be. Do what you say you're going to do. Always be ready to step up and help.

His family was the most important thing to him and he made sure we all knew it. We basked in the love and laughter - of which there was a never-ending supply.

Vernie, as his buddies called him, loved to get together with family and friends and play guitar, singing the oldies. Singing Papa was how his little ones referred to him. His high standards and sharp wits kept everyone around him honest and wanting to be better. Papa was a force to be reckoned with and the one guy you wanted in your corner no matter the situation.

He made such an impact in the lives around him that he will live on in all of us.

A private graveside ceremony will be held for the family. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

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Monday evening the Highlands Summer Festival debuted its dark comedy, *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, a who-done-it with bite. Above, Ryan Brown and Brittany Robinson play Eddie McCuen and Nikki Crandall. See more photos on page 26.

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## Iconic comedian performs in Haliburton

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

Don Harron has been a Canadian entertainer for what may seem like a lifetime – for some it has been exactly that.

Now entering his 75<sup>th</sup> year as a professional comedian, performer, actor and writer, the Renaissance man is showing no signs of slowing down.

Harron recently paid Haliburton a visit to perform his sold out show Charlie Farquharson and Dem Udders at the Northern Lights Pavilion on July 26 and 27 as part of the Highlands Summer Festival.

Set around the character of Charlie, whom Harron created himself, the show's premise revolves around everything from the top news headlines of the day to classic Canadian humour.

Entertaining since the early 1950s, Charlie has been making audiences laugh with his outspokenness, political incorrectness and blunt personality.

"The show is a revue that features a variety of parodies," says Harron. "The material changes week to week, depending on what's in the headlines."

"Charlie is always up to date," says Claudette, Harron's wife and stage partner who has been performing under a one-name moniker as a singer for a number of decades.

"In this show, Charlie's talking about how see DON page 10

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